

CX # 1818

Evidentiary Document No. 5419.

In the International Military
Tribunal for the Far East.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND
OTHERS
v
ARAKI, Sadao and OTHERS

AFFIDAVIT.

I, GEORGE DE VERDON WESTLEY of 284a Camberwell Road, Camberwell in the State of Victoria, formerly VX 44808 Major G. De V. Westley of 2/21 Battalion make oath and say:-

1. I was with 2/21 Battalion on Amboina Island in February 1942 when the Japanese landed. At that time Lt-Col Scott was commanding the Battalion, he was also Commanding Officer of Gull Force. This Force consisted of the battalion and attached troops. The troops from this Force were disposed in two main bodies, approximately 800 being on the Amboina side and about 300 on the Laha side of the island.
2. I became a prisoner in February, 1942, and remained a prisoner on the island until the Japanese surrendered in 1945.
3. In September, 1945, I sent a reconnaissance party to Laha to endeavour to trace the men who had been at Laha and of whom I had not heard since the surrender. Lieutenant Russel was in charge of this reconnaissance party. A Japanese Medical Officer pointed out to him a cairn under which he said about 200 men were buried but he could not say whether they were Australians or Japanese. Lieutenant Russell was unable to find any other trace of the Australians who had been at Laha.

SWORN at Melbourne in)
the State of Victoria)
this seventh day of)
October, 1946.)
BEFORE ME

(sgd) G. De V. WESTLEY

(sgd) W. A. Fax
Commissioner for taking affidavits
and declarations under the Evidence
Act, 1928.

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ニアード・ド・ラ・ス・ト・ト・ハ 宣誓シ陳述ス。

一、松ハ日本軍が上陸シタ一九四二年二月 = アンボイ島、
大隊ト一續アリマシト。ノ、時陸軍中佐スコットが同大
隊ヲ指揮シテヰタ。彼ハ又カニ部隊、司令官アリ。
コ、部隊ハ同大隊ト配属部隊トヨリナツキヰタ。コ、部隊
ヨリ分レテ未タ兵員ハ二個、主要ナ部隊トナツテ配置サシ。
即ナアンボイ側ニハ約八〇名、及島、ラム側ニハ約三百

二、松ハ一九四三年二月 = 捕虜トナツテ。一九四五年日本が降伏
シテ時マテ同島ニ於テ捕虜トシテ居タ。

三、一九四五年九月前 = ラムニ居テ降伏後何ノ消息モ
ナカツ者ヲ探サラトシテ松ハ搜索隊ヲラムニシタ。
ラムセル中尉ハコ、搜索隊、責任者アリ。日本軍
医將校が彼ニ石塚ヲ指サシテコ、下ニ約二百名が埋マテ
居ルト云。併シ彼ハシレ等が濱洲兵アルカ日本
兵アルリ言コトカ未ナカツ。ラムセル中尉ハラムニ
居タ濱洲兵、痕跡ヲ他ニ発見出来ナカツ。

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